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CLAIMS

1. A compound having the following formula:

wherein:

Ar is a 1-(sulfonyl)-1H-indol-2-yl group; the group -OR^o is independently:

- (a) -OH;
- (b) an ether group; or:
- (c) an acyloxy group;
- the bond marked α is independently:
 - (a) a single bond; or:
 - (b) a double bond;

the bond marked β is independently:

- (a) a single bond; or:
- (b) a double bond;

each of R², R³, R⁵, and R⁶, is independently a ring substituent and is:

- (a) H;
- (b) a monovalent monodentate substituent; or:
- (c) a ring substituent which, together with an adjacent ring substituent, and together with the ring atoms to which these ring substituents are attached, form a fused ring;

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts, esters, amides, solvates, hydrates, and protected forms thereof.

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STATEMENT UNDER ARTICLE 19(1)

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Claim 1 has been amended.

Amended claim 1 differs from original claim 1 in only one respect: the chemical formula has been corrected to be identical to that shown in the description at page 6, line 7. Amended claim 1 now precisely corresponds to the description at page 6, lines 5-26.

It is clear that there is an error in original claim 1. Claim 1 includes, at lines 12-14, references to "the bond marked β ". However, the formula in original claim 1 does not have a bond marked β .

It is clear what the error is: the annular bond "across" from the bond marked α is incorrectly shown to be a double bond in original claim 1. Original claims 2 and 4 (which depend from claim 1) require an annular double bond "across" from the bond marked α . Original claim 3 (which also depends from claim 1) requires an annular single bond "across" from the bond marked α .

It is clear what the correction must be: the bond "across" from the bond marked α must be defined as a single bond or a double bond (which is precisely what is given on page 6 of the description). The correction is achieved by replacing the chemical formula in original claim 1 with the chemical formula appearing on page 6 of the description.